IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A novel pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid of the formula

$$R = H_1$$
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 $R = H_2$
 $R = H_3$
 $R = H_4$
 $R = H_4$

2. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

3. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

4. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

5. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

6. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

$$H_3C$$

7. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

$$H_3C$$

8. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1.-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

$$H_3C$$

9. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

$$H_3CH_2C$$

10. (Original) A pyrrolo[2, 1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine hybrid as claimed in claim 1 having the formula

11. (Original) A process for the preparation of pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrids of formula V

which comprises reacting a 4- (1H- benzo[d] imidazol-2-yl) phenol of the formula I

with – [4-(n- bromoalkyloxy)-5- methoxyy-2- nitrobenzo-yl] pyrrolidine- 2-carboxaldehyde diethyl thio acetal of formula II

$$H_3CO$$
 NO_2
 $CH(SEt)_2$
 NO_3
 O
 II

in the presence of K₂ CO₃ in organic solvent for a period of 12 to 24 hrs, isolating (2S)-N- {4- (1H- benoz [d] imidazolo- 2 yl) phenoxy] alkyl - oxy- 5 methoxy- 2-nitrobenzoyl} pyrrolidine-2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal III

where "n" is 3 to 5, reducing said compound of formula III with SnCl₂ 2H₂O in the presence of organic solvent up to a reflux temperature, isolating the (2S) -N- {n- 4- (1H- benzo [d] imidazolo- 2yl)phenoxy]alkyl]-oxy-5-methoxy-2-aminobenzoyly} pyrrolidine- 2-carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal of the formula IV

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where n is 3 to 5 by known methods, reacting the said amino compound of formula IV with conventional deprotecting agents in to produce pyrrolo [2,1-c]1,4] benzodiazepine hybrids of formula V, wherein "n" is as defined above.

12. A process for the preparation of pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrids of formula IX

which comprises reacting a 4- [6-4.- methylhexahydro- 1- pyrazinyl)- 1H - benzo [irnidazol- 2- yl] phenol VI

with N-[4-(n-bromoalkyloxy)-5- methoxy-2-nitrobenzo-yl]pyrrolidine- 2-carboxaldehyde diethyl thio acetal of formula II

in the presence of K_2 CO $_3$ in organic solvent for a period of 12 to 24 hrs, isolating (2S)-N- {n-(4-[6-4-methylhexahydro-l-pyraxinzyl)-1H-benzo [d] imidazol-2-yl] phenoxy] alkyl-oxy-5-methoxy-2-nitrobenzoy pyrrolidine-2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal VII

$$H_3C$$
 NO_2
 $CH(SEt)_2$
 O
 VII

where "n" is 3 to 5, reducing said compound of formula VII with SnCl2O in the presence of organic solvent up to a reflex temperature, isolating (2S)-N- {n- (4- [6-(4-methylhexahydro-l-pyrazinyl)- 1H- benzo [d] imidazol-2- yl] phenoxy] alkyl)-oxy-5- methoxy -2- aminobenzoy) pyrrolidine-2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal VIII

and reacting the said amino compound of formula VIII with conventional deprotecting agents in to produce pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrids of formula IX wherein "n".

13. (Original) A process for the preparation of pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrids of formula XIII

which comprises reacting a 4- [6-(4- ehtylhexahydro- I-pyrazinyl)- 1H- benzo [d] imidazol-2- yl] phenol X

$$H_3C$$
 N
 X
 $+$

with – [4-(n- bromoalkyloxy)-5- methoxyy-2,- nitrobenzo-yl] pyrrolidine- 2-carboxaldehyde diethyl thio acetal of formula II

$$H_3CO$$
 NO_2
 $CH(SEt)_2$
 O
 II

in the presence of K₂ CO₃ in organic solvent for a period of 12 to 24 hrs, isolating (2S)- – {n-(4-[6-4-ehtyhexahydro-l-pyrazinyl)- H-benzo [d] imidazol-2-yl] phenoxy] alkyll] - oxy- 5-methoxy- 2- nitrobenzoyl) pyrrolidine- 2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal XI

where "n" is 3 to 5, reducing said compound of formula XI with SnCl₂. 2H₂O in the presence of organic solvent up to a reflux temperature, isolating (2S)-N- {n-(4-[6-(4-ethylhexahydro-1-pyrazinyl)-1H - benzo[d] imidazol-2- yl] phenoxy] alkyl)- oxy-5- methoxy-2- aminobenzoyl} pyrrolidine- 2- carboxaldehyde diethyl thioacetal XII where n is 3 to 5

and reacting the said amino compound of formula XII with conventional deprotecting agents to produce pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrids of formula XIII wherein "n" is as defined above.

- 14. (Currently amended) Use of a pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrid compound as claimed in anyone of claims claim 1 to 10 for the preparation of medicament useful for treating tumours.
- 15. (Currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition for use as antitumour agents comprising of an effective amount of a pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrid compound as claimed in anyone of claims claim 1 to 10.

- 16. (Currently amended) A method of treating a mammal which comprises administering an affective amount of a pyrrolo [2,1-c] 1, 4] benzodiazepine hybrid compound as claimed in anyone of claims claim 1 to 10.
- 17. (Original) A method of treating a mammal, which comprises administering an affective amount of a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 15.